

**REMARKS**

**INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1-4 have been amended. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 are pending and under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

**REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112**

In the Final Office Action at page 2, claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended the first element of method claim 4 to recite "causing the computer connected to the network to receive real estate business deal information provided by the registered member from a user terminal connected to the electronic network." In view of this amendment, Applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn.

**REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §§102(a) AND 103(a)**

In the Final Office Action at page 3, claims 1-4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,009,412 to Storey. This rejection is traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the Response to Arguments at page 6 of the Office Action, the Office Action states "Even though applicant's invention deals with business deal information and specifically in real estate business, wherein the information is dealt with giving cash or gift when a deal is not closed or closed (see background of the invention/related art), these specific information are not in the claim." Further, the Office Action states "The claims language are open for other type of business deal/transaction information."

Accordingly, Applicant has amended claims 1-4 to recite "real estate business deal information." Specifically, claim 1 is now directed to "A real estate business deal information managing system." In relevant part, amended independent claim 1 now recites "a real estate business deal information reception unit formed in a part of a computer connected to an electronic network, said real estate business deal information reception unit receiving real estate

business deal information from a registered member containing a plurality of items over said electronic network" and "a confirmation unit formed in a part of said computer, said confirmation unit evaluating accuracy of said real estate business deal information and forming accuracy information, said accuracy information indicating whether contents of the plurality of items received by the business information reception unit are accurate." Independent claims 2-4 have been similarly amended.

Applicant respectfully submits that Storey fails to teach or suggest real estate business deal information, as recited in independent claims 1-4. Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that Storey fails to teach or suggest all of the features of amended independent claims 1-4 and, therefore, claims 1-4 patentably distinguish over the prior art and are in condition for allowance.

#### CONCLUSION

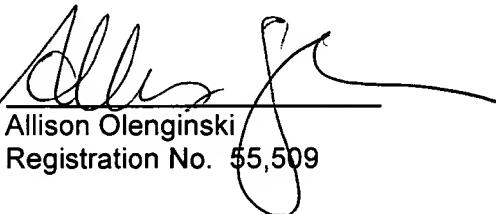
If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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